

REMARKS

Applicants have the following response to the Office Action of July 14, 2004.

Drawings

In the Office Action Summary, the Examiner objects to the drawings filed on 09 February 2000. No mention is made in the Office Action text of this objection.

The 09 February 2000 drawings are the original drawings filed with the application. In Amendment A filed on November 24, 2003 and Amendment B filed on April 22, 2004, Applicants corrected the drawings and addressed the Examiner's objections. It is believed that this overcomes the Examiner's objections, and it is requested that this objection be withdrawn.

Claim Rejections – 35 USC §103

In the Office Action, the Examiner rejects Claims 1-4 and 9-12 under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over Takahara et al. '355 in view of Togino. The Examiner further rejects Claims 5-8 and 13-16 under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over Takahara et al. '355 in view of Togarino. These rejections are respectfully traversed.

In order to advance the prosecution of this application, Applicants have amended independent Claims 1, 5, 9 and 13 to recite to recite a lens formed on the organic EL display element, wherein the lens has a spherical surface to which the organic EL display element emits a light. These features are shown in the present application at, for example, page 12, lns. 3-11, page 24, lns. 6-8 and Fig. 7B. Applicants have also made minor amendments to dependent Claims 2, 3, 6, 7, 10, 11, 14 and 15 so that these claims are consistent with the independent claims.

Neither of the cited references appear to disclose or suggest a lens formed on the organic EL

display element having a spherical surface. Accordingly, the claims of the present application are patentable over the cited references, and it is respectfully requested that these rejections be withdrawn.

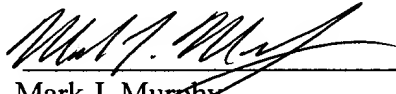
Conclusion

It is respectfully submitted that the present application is in a condition for allowance and should be allowed.

If any fee is due for this amendment, please charge our deposit account 50/1039.

Favorable reconsideration is earnestly solicited.

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